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WORKSHOP TITLE	Nutritional dialogue with the children of Bulengo in the DRC
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LANGUAGE OF THE EVENT	French / Kiswahili
HOST CITY	Goma, Democratic Republic of the Congo
GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE	Bulengo IDPs Camp
AFFILIATIONS	WORLD VISION DRC
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- that cover the nutrition challenges faced, the urgent actions that need to be taken, and how to move them forward – in particular, ahead of the Nutrition for Growth
- Summit in Paris in March 2025.

SECTION ONE: PARTICIPATION

TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

20

PARTICIPATION BY AGE GROUP

3 12-15

17 16-18

PARTICIPATION BY GENDER

15 Female

5 Male

0 Other/Prefer not to say

ADDITIONAL DETAIL ON DIVERSITY OF PARTICIPATION

The Bulengo displaced persons site is a site where World Vision carries out several food distribution activities. The dialogue brought together young people and children, mostly girls who live on the site with their parents or tutors; They are of different cultures and ethnicities because they come from Rutshuru, Masisi, Bweremana, Mushaki... Some are students and others are not given the difficult financial conditions

SECTION TWO: FRAMEWORK

This nutritional dialogue session was organized in the BULENGO displaced persons camp, precisely in the site distribution, in full activity of cash distribution by the WVI team. This work carried out with children and young people has Dialogue has five key moments, namely, 1) prayer, 2) presentation of participants, 3) presentation of the nutritional dialogue, 4) work in the crossroads and 5) sharing. Immediately after the prayer, the presentation of the participants, groups synthesis of the nutrition issue was made as follows; the key concepts more affected by malnutrition, the factors that have exacerbated malnutrition and hunger in the world, the importance of good nutrition Results and the determinants (what contributes to) good nutrition improved nutrition in children. children asked questions for proper understanding of the content and were sent to the crossroads for work in two groups guided by World Vision agent mentors. In crossroads. They answered these four questions, namely; what is the nutritional situation of this Bulengo site, Talk about the challenges related to nutrition in Bulengo, what urgent actions can be taken to overcome these challenges, What commitments should be made for already local management of malnutrition in Bulengo? This is after the plenary session that a synthesis was retained as the conclusion of the dialogue work for the children of Bulengo.

SECTION THREE: WORKSHOP RESULTS FOR CHILDREN

CHALLENGES

The synthesis agreed between participants in terms of major challenges gives the following problems for the site of
The name:

- Rape while mothers and daughters go to get firewood and food, others are tortured, even killed by bandits
- Many cases of malnutrition in the camp with all the consequences that go with it
- Many deaths linked to malnutrition in the camp
- Insecurity in and around the camp
- Many cases of murder in the camp

URGENT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION

The conclusions arising from the challenges identified above have given rise to the following actions and recommendations:

TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DRC

- Take necessary security measures so that we can return home Security in and around the camp
- Strengthen security in and around the camp
- Evacuate all armed men in the camp

TO HUMANITARIAN WORKERS:

- Provide sufficient water to displaced people because, as they say, water is life
- Regularly and permanently (every month) assist displaced persons
- Strengthen awareness sessions on nutrition in the camp
- Increase the number of humanitarian organizations operating in the camp because the nutritional need is enormous

AREAS OF DIVERGENCE

The participants (children and young people from Bulengo) were unanimous and all agreed on the points of view of each other. .

GENERAL SUMMARY

The nutritional dialogue organized with the young people and children of Bulengo took place smoothly and in a climate very relaxed. In general, the displaced people expressed themselves freely about the situation nutritional in the BULENGO camp.

Effect, The nutritional dialogue in Bulengo did not deviate from the norm of the conduct of other similar sessions (prayer presentation of participants, presentation of the nutritional dialogue after the crossroads works and pooling). Just protocol stages (prayer, presentation of participants), synthesis of the problem of nutrition was made as follows; the key concepts the groups most affected by malnutrition, the factors that have made exacerbate malnutrition and hunger in the world, the importance of good nutrition contributes to a) of good the determinants (what nutrition Results and/ impacts of improved nutrition in children. this step ended with the participants being sent to a meeting point where they answered a few questions prepared for this purpose (the nutritional situation of the region the challenges of malnutrition in the region the major recommendations.) Participants were also asked to provide information on whether the discussions left any issues pending in terms of divergence.

All things considered, the observation is that the displaced people are going through a catastrophic nutritional situation, which is there are many cases of malnutrition in the camp and this results in deaths as a result of this malnutrition because Even support is not enough. All data provided by participants have been compiled into a summary finalized for this Bulengo site

SECTION FOUR: PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT AND METHOD

PRINCIPLES OF COMMITMENT

Since the participants are mainly young people, they are committed to relaying the key content of the malnutrition among their peers, young people, most of whom lack good information on this subject. They also said that they will not fail to discuss it further with their parents as well.

METHOD AND FRAMEWORK

Apart from the presentations which provided essential content and information to the children, it was . the approaches were essentially participatory and the participants expressed themselves freely.

TIPS FOR OTHER CONVENERS

Displaced people are used to asking for transport for the slightest activity. This means that it is necessary to be clear in advance and precise before starting the session. Although we do not give cash to the children, we had the pressure of their parents who expected something. To other conveners, dialogue sessions, it is useful to always go through the leaders and be clear and precise with them.

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THANKS

We would like to thank our participants for their availability and commitment, despite their vulnerable situation.

ATTACHMENTS

- presence list
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- Consent form
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